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1. Since early October 1950 the limitation on civilian transportation in Manchuria because of military traffic requirements has reduced shipments of Manchurian pig iron for Shanghai ironworks. In mid-October the Department of Heavy Industry of the Southeast China Military and Administrative Committee sent representatives to purchase pig iron at Anshan (122-57, 41-04) and Penchiu (123-43, 41-20). The purchase was arranged but it was impossible to ship the pig iron to Shanghai because no civil transport was operating. All Shanghai ironworks had stopped production by the end of October

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2. The Shanghai Government is purchasing steel from the Klocknerwerke A. G. Duisburg, Germany. In late October the Klockner representative in Shanghai outbid other dealers for a large order. The product had been delivered by the end of October.
3. Stahlunion (probably Dusseldorf), Germany, represented in Hong Kong by the Globe Trading Company,* 37 Des Voeux Road Central, is also supplying steel to the Chinese Communists. Globe is capable of supplying a large stock of galvanized iron pipe with only a slight delay, which is due to production difficulties.

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